DISPOSITION: April 15, 1944. The owner of the product having admitted the violations charged in the libel, judgment of condemnation was entered and the product was ordered destroyed.

6544. Misbranding of peanut butter. U. S. v. 25 Cases of Peanut Butter. Default decree of condemnation. Product ordered delivered to local charitable institutions. (F. D. C. No. 12004. Sample No. 79205–F.)

LIBEL FILED: March 13, 1944, District of Columbia.

ALLEGED SHIPMENT: On or about December 30, 1943, by Princess Pecans, Inc., from Camilla, Ga.

PRODUCT: 25 cases, each containing 24 jars, of peanut butter at Washington, D. C. LABEL, IN PART: (Jars) "King O'Nuts Fresh 1 Lb. Net Wt. Peanut Butter."

VIOLATIONS CHARGED: Misbranding, Section 403 (a), the statement "1 Lb. Net Wt." was false and misleading as applied to an article that was short weight; and, Section 403 (e) (2), the article was in package form and failed to bear a label containing an accurate statement of the quantity of the contents.

DISPOSITION: May 11, 1944. No claimant having appeared, judgment of condemnation was entered and the product was ordered delivered to local charitable institutions.

6545. Misbranding of peanut butter. U. S. v. 29 Cases, 98 Cases, and 232 Cases of Peanut Butter. Consent decree of condemnation. Product ordered released under bond to be relabeled. (F. D. C. No. 11902. Sample No. 35590-F.)

LIBEL FILED: February 25, 1944, Western District of North Carolina.

ALLEGED SHIPMENT: On or about December 8, 1943, by the W. B. Roddenbery Co., from Cairo, Ga.

PRODUCT: 359 cases, each containing 24 jars, of peanut butter, at Charlotte, N. C. Label, in Part: (Jars) "Happy Kids Brand * * * Peanut Butter * * * Net Wt. 8% Oz. [or "12 Oz." or "1 Lb."]."

VIOLATIONS CHARGED: Misbranding, Section 403 (a), the statements "Net Wt. 8¾ Oz.," "Net Wt. 12 Oz.," and "Net Wt. 1 Lb." were false and misleading as applied to the article, which was short weight; and, Section 403 (e) (2), it was in package form and failed to bear a label containing an accurate statement of the quantity of the contents.

DISPOSITION: March 27, 1944. The W. B. Roddenbery Co., claimant, having admitted the allegations of the libel, judgment of condemnation was entered and the product was ordered released under bond to be relabeled under the supervision of the Food and Drug Administration.

6546. Misbranding of peanut butter. U. S. v. 72 Cases, 165 Cases, and 190 Cases of Peanut Butter. Decree of condemnation. Product ordered released under bond. (F. D. C. No. 12132. Sample Nos. 35690-F to 35692-F, incl.)

LIBEL FILED: On or about April 6, 1944, Western District of South Carolina.

ALLEGED SHIPMENT: From on or about February 11 to March 8, 1944, by the Colonial Stores, Inc., from Atlanta, Ga.

PRODUCT: Peanut butter: 72 cases, each containing 12 jars, and 355 cases, each containing 24 jars, at Greenville, S. C.

LABEL, IN PART: (Jars) "Tellam's High Grade Brand Peanut Butter * * * Net Wt. 1 Lb. 8 Oz. [or "1 Lb.," or "Wonder Brand Peanut Butter * * * Net Weight 1 Lb."] Mfd. by Wm. Tellam Co. Inc. Atlanta, Ga."

VIOLATIONS CHARGED: Misbranding, Section 403 (a), the statements on the label, "Net Wt. 1 Lb. 8 Oz.," or "Net Wt. 1 Lb.," were false and misleading as applied to the article, which contained less than the declared weight; and section 403 (e) (2), it was in package form and failed to bear a label containing an accurate statement of the quantity of the contents.

DISPOSITION: April 6, 1944. William Tellam, claimant, having admitted the allegations of the libel, except as to the amount seized, judgment of condemnation was entered and the product was ordered released under bond to be filled to declared weight, under the supervision of the United States marshal.

6547. Adulteration of shelled peanuts. U. S. v. 484 Bags of Shelled Peanuts. Consent decree of condemnation. Product ordered released under bond. (F. D. C. No. 11794. Sample No. 64843-F.)

LIBEL FILED: February 17, 1944, Western District of Washington.

ALLEGED SHIPMENT: On or about September 8, 1943, from Gorman, Tex.

PRODUCT: 484 bags, each containing 100 pounds, of shelled peanuts at Seattle,

Wash., in possession of the Pacific Food Products Co.

The peanuts were stored under insanitary conditions after shipment. The bags were rodent-cut and contained rodent excreta and urine stains. Examination of samples showed that the product was contaminated with rodent hairs and rodent excreta.

VIOLATIONS CHARGED: Adulteration, Section 402 (a) (3), the product consisted in whole or in part of a filthy substance; and, Section 402 (a) (4), it had been held under insanitary conditions whereby it may have become contaminated with filth.

DISPOSITION: February 26, 1944. The Pacific Food Products Co., Seattle, Wash., claimant, having consented to the entry of a decree, judgment of condemnation was entered and the product was ordered released under bond to be brought into compliance with the law, under the supervision of the Food and Drug Administration. The product was pressed into oil and the residue disposed of for poultry feed.

6548. Adulteration of shelled peanuts. U. S. v. 17 Bags and 37 Bags of Shelled Peanuts. Default decree of condemnation. Product ordered delivered to the National Zoological Park. (F. D. C. No. 11570. Sample Nos. 58710-F, 58721-F.)

LIBEL FILED: January 4, 1944, District of Columbia.

Product: 54 bags of shelled peanuts at Washington, D. C., in the possession of M. B. Frazier & Son.

The product was stored under insanitary conditions after shipment. A mouse nest containing dead mice was noted in one lot, and the bags were rodent-cut. Examination of samples showed rodent excreta, rodent hair fragments, insects, insect fragments, and insect excreta.

VIOLATIONS CHARGED: Adulteration, Section 402 (a) (3), the product consisted in whole or in part of a filthy substance; and, Section 402 (a) (4), it had been held under insanitary conditions whereby it may have become contaminated with filth.

Disposition: April 5, 1944. No claimant having appeared, judgment of condemnation was entered and the product was ordered delivered to the National Zoological Park.

6549. Adulteration of shelled peanuts. U. S. v. 105 Bags of Shelled Peanuts. Consent decree of condemnation. Product ordered released under bond. (F. D. C. No. 12014. Sample No. 63206-F.)

LIBEL FILED: March 14, 1944, Western District of North Carolina.

ALLEGED SHIPMENT: On or about February 11, 1944, by the South Quay Peanut Co., from Franklin, Va.

Product: 105 bags of shelled peanuts at Charlotte, N. C.

VIOLATION CHARGED: Adulteration, Section 402 (a) (3), the product consisted in whole or in part of a filthy and decomposed substance by reason of the presence of rancid, moldy, and dirty peanuts.

Disposition: April 10, 1944. Milford Pettus and Mary D. Pettus, trading as the J. & J. Candy Co., Charlotte, N. C., claimant, having consented to the entry of a decree, judgment of condemnation was entered and the product was ordered released under bond for the segregation and destruction of the unfit portion, under the supervision of the Food and Drug Administration. An amended decree was entered on May 18, 1944, ordering the crushing of the peanuts for the manufacture of oil and peanut cake for feed and fertilizer, under the supervision of the Food and Drug Administration.

6550. Adulteration of shelled peanuts. U. S. v. 465 Bags of Shelled Peanuts. Decree of condemnation. Product ordered released under bond. (F. D. C. No. 11991. Sample No. 53646-F.)

LIBEL FILED: March 10, 1944, Southern District of California.

ALLEGED SHIPMENT: On or about May 28, 1943, by the Bain Peanut Co. of Texas, from San Antonio, Tex.

PRODUCT: 465 bags of shelled peanuts, each bag weighing approximately 105 pounds, at Los Angeles, Calif.

VIOLATION CHARGED: Adulteration, Section 402 (a) (3), the product consisted in whole or in part of a filthy substance by reason of the presence of live and dead insects, webbing, frass, and insect excreta.